

Social and Personal.

ONE of the most brilliant affairs in the social life of Washington this winter was the marriage yesterday afternoon of Miss Mary Wallace Mason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Randolph Mason, to Phillip Halsey Patchin. The ceremony took place in Saint Margaret's Episcopal Church, at 4:30 o'clock, the bride's uncle, Bishop C. K. Nelson, officiating, assisted by the rector of Saint Margaret's, Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, D.D. Ira H. Patchin, of New York, attended the groom as best man, and the ushers were: Lieutenant Victor M. Foster, U. S. A., now stationed at Fort Myer; Frank Blake Gordon, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Washington; Harry Crist, Phillip Lee Scantling, Dr. William Bedford Mason, a cousin of the bride, and her brother, Richard Nelson Mason, all of Washington. The bride's only attendant was her uncle, Miss Josephine Beverly Mason. A small reception followed the ceremony, at the home of the bride's parents.

After their honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Patchin will be at home on N Street, Hall-Hobson.

A pretty but quiet marriage was solemnized on Tuesday morning at 11

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o'clock when Miss Mary Leigh Hobson became the bride of Alfonso C. Hall. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Alyse Lloyd Bates, and during the ceremony "O, Promise Me" was softly played.

Rev. R. H. Potts officiated, and after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hall left for Northern points.

The marriage of Miss Edna Otera Mulcahy to W. C. Chapman took place on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents.

The marriage of Miss Ethel Andrews Burke to William Lacey Carpenter took place last night at her home on Grace Street.

The most important wedding socially of the season took place on Thursday evening in the Church of the Hill, Birmingham, Ala., when W. Hill Ferguson led to the altar Miss Louise Martin Walker, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William A. Walker and sister of Mrs. Robert Jemison, Jr.

Special interest attaches to the reception to be given at the Executive Mansion on the evening of January 1.

It will be the last during the administration of Governor and Mrs. Claude A. Swanson, and will offer a pleasant opportunity to the public to exchange greetings and kindly wishes for the New Year.

Mrs. Barton Wise was the hostess at a beautifully appointed dinner, before the Richmond German on Monday night, in honor of her house guest, Mrs. Clara Noland, of Baltimore and Fauquier county.

Mrs. Wise's guests included Misses Eda Atkinson, Frances Myers, Ella Buek, Page Royall, and Otis Alfriend, Leigh Page, Stuart Leake, Willie Nowland and Henry S. Harrison.

Mrs. Norton Randolph, one of this season's debutantes, entertained the debutantes at an informal tea yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Crockett gives Bridge Party. Mrs. W. O. Crockett was hostess at a small bridge party at her home, in Cathedral Place, on Tuesday afternoon.

The Young Ladies' Bible Class of Park Place Church, of which Mrs. C. M. Eddington has charge, gave its teacher a delightful surprise Monday evening in the nature of a "kitchen shower."

In and Out of Town. Mrs. H. L. Carpenter, of Philadelphia, is at the home of her son, William Lacey Carpenter, to Miss Burke, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Franklin Carter, of New York, are in the city to attend the Carpenter-Burke marriage.

Miss Virginia Hawkins, of Chicago, who is a student at Hollins, is spending the holidays with her uncle, Thomas P. Jeffress, of Meadow Brook.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Smyth have returned to the Jefferson after spending the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George C. Morney in Suffolk.

ville, Md., to spend the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Atkinson, 311 East Grace Street.

Mrs. Francis H. Smith, of Louisville, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. H. Norment, at 1813 Grove Avenue.

Miss Lucy Witt is visiting friends in Suffolk.

John M. Ward is visiting William Miller on West Avenue.

Miss May Carmichael is the house guest of Miss Kathleen Bruce on West Franklin Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hall, of Petersburg, are visiting friends in this city for a few days.

Judge James Keith is spending some time in Florida.

Mrs. J. M. Heck and her daughters, Misses Fannie and Pearl Heck, of Raleigh, N. C., are spending some time at 200 East Franklin Street.

Dr. Harman Simmerman and wife are spending the holidays at his former home in Wytheville.

Samuel W. Lacy is visiting M. G. Willis, Jr., in Fredericksburg.

Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Hough, of the University of Virginia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Whithead, at 1633 West Grace Street.

Mrs. Lena L. Cooper, of Wytheville, is visiting her niece, Mrs. C. A. Demsey, 1619 Park Avenue.

Mrs. W. Withers Miller, of West Grace Street, is spending a few days at the home of her father, J. W. Palmer, at Fitzhugh, in Brunswick county.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burchard will leave Friday morning for Reading, Pa.

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to spend some time with relatives. After visiting New York and Philadelphia they will be at home about the middle of January.

Attorney-General William A. Anderson is in New York City.

Miss Helen Haskins is the guest of Miss Vinna Watson, Holbrooke Avenue, Danville.

Lewis M. Boyd is visiting in Staunton.

Hon. A. C. Braxton is the guest of Judge and Mrs. H. W. Holt, of Staunton.

Miss Mary Harmon, of Charlottesville, is visiting Miss Taylor at the Chesterfield.

Life Viewed by the Old and New Thought

BY ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Once upon a time I read the following gloomy bit of pessimism from the pen of a man bright enough to know better than to add to the mental malaria of the world. He said: "Life is a hopeless battle, in which we are foredoomed to defeat. And the price for which we strive to have and to hold—what is it? A thing that is never enjoyed while had not missed when lost. So worthless it is, so unsatisfying, so inadequate to purpose, so false to hope, and, at its best, so brief that for consolation and compensation we set up fantastic fancies of an afterlife in a better world from which no confirming whisper has ever reached us out of the void. Heaven is a phantom, created in the lips of despair, but hell is an inference from history."

This is morbid and unwholesome talk, which can only harm the speaker and the listener. It can depress and discourage the weak and struggling souls who are striving to meet the circumstances, and it can nerve to suicide the hand of some half-crazed being who needed only a word of encouragement and cheer to brace up and win the race.

Discouragement a Sin. This is the unpardonable sin—to talk discouragingly to human souls hungering for hope. When the man without brains does it, he should be ashamed to look his fellow mortals in the eye. It is a sin ten times deeper dyed than giving a stone to those who ask for bread.

It is giving poison to those who plead for a cup of cold water. Fortunately, the remarks above quoted contain not one atom of truth. The writer may speak for himself, but he has no right to speak for others.

Life is all very well for a man who is marked with smallpox to say his face has not one unscarred inch on the surface of it. But he has no promise to stand upon when he says there is not a face in the world which is free from smallpox scars.

Life is not a hopeless battle, in which we are doomed to defeat. Life is a glorious privilege, and we can make anything we choose of it if we begin early and do it in earnest, and realize our own divine powers.

Life a Great Prize. Nothing can hinder us or stay us. We can do and be whatever we will. The prize of life is not "a thing which is never enjoyed while had not missed when lost."

It is enjoyed by millions of souls today—this great prize of life. I for one declare that not one atom of misery in my existence I have had a week of joy and happiness. For every hour of pain I have had a day of pleasure. For every moment of worry, an hour of content.

I cannot be the only soul so endowed with the spirit of life. I know scores of happy people who enjoy the many delights of earth, and there are thousands whom I do not know who are just as happy.

Of course, "life is not missed when lost," because it is never lost. It is indestructible. Life ever was, and ever will be. It is a continuous performance. It is not "worthless" to the wholesome, normal mind. It is full of interest, and rich with opportunities for usefulness.

According to His Perceptions. When a man says "life is worthless, it is because he has eyes and sees not, and ears and hears not, and it is his own fault, not the fault of God or of accident."

If every life seems at times "unsatisfactory" and "inadequate," it is only due to the fact of the immediate soul longing for larger opportunities and fewer limitations.

Neither is life "false to hope." He who believes in the divinity of Jesus shall find his hopes more than realized here upon earth. I but voice the knowledge of thousands of souls when I make this assertion. I know whereof I speak.

All that our dearest hopes desire will come to us if we believe in ourselves, in the faithful help of Divine Omnipotence, and work and think always on those lines.

"No whisper has ever reached us out of the void" confirming our faith in immortality, then one-third of the seemingly intelligent and sane beings who are in our acquaintance must be impostors. For we have the assertion of fully this number that such whispers have come, besides the biblical statement of numerous messages from the other realm.

"As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen." (Copyright, 1909, by the New York Evening Journal Publishing Co.)

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marriage of John Drummond Fosque and Miss Janet Hope Peck was solemnized in the First Methodist Church at 5:30 o'clock this evening, the church being very prettily decorated for the occasion, the color scheme being white and green. Rev. George W. Wray, the pastor of the church, was the officiating minister, and Mrs. William Wray presided at the organ.

Mr. Fosque is a young business man of the city, and Miss Peck, the daughter of the late Judge George M. Peck, and Mrs. S. H. Peck.

The bride's attendants were Miss Mrs. Brandon Rudd, of Philadelphia; Miss Lennie Mae Staley, of Clifton Forge; Miss Mary Royall Stillwell, of Savannah; and Misses Sallie Cary Armistead and Maria Smith Peck, of Hampton. They wore white chiffon cloth over white satin, carrying shower bouquets of ferns.

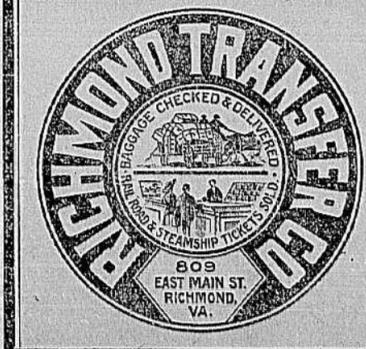
The maid of honor was a cousin of the bride, Miss Lavinia Gregory Holt, of Hampton. She was attired in green chiffon cloth over green messaline, carrying La France roses.

Mrs. Franz von Schilling, the bride's sister, was matron of honor, wearing green chiffon cloth over green messaline, and carrying La France roses.

Miss Elizabeth Hope, the little daughter of Dr. J. Wilton Hope, was the ring-bearer.

The groomsmen were Messrs. Samuel Waples, of Onancock, as best man; Carroll Garnett, of Richmond; Robert A. Holt, Cecil Frost, J. Slimkins Jones, John Willis, Jr., Philip Woodward, of Hampton.

The bride was escorted by her two brothers, Lieutenant William Holt, Peck, U. S. A., of Fort Moultrie, S. C., and Captain Jesse Hope Peck, of the Virginia Military Institute. Her dress was of white chiffon cloth and duchess satin, beautifully hand embroidered. Her veil of tulle was caught with sweetpeas, and her bouquet was of Bridal's roses and white sweetpeas. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fosque left for the South. They will be at home after January 10 at the Virginia Hotel.



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